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SUBJECT: USG EXPERTS TRAIN NEW ANTI-TRAFFICKING UNIT

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1. (C) Summary: NCIS and ICE provided anti-TIP training for 13 Bahraini police officers. The trainees described challenges they face, some cul
 2. (C) In June, Richard Silver, a British advisor to Bahrain's Ministry of Interior, approached the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS
 3. (C) Captain Ebrahim Rumaihi commands the Interior Ministry's ten-member anti-trafficking unit. According to NCIS, Rumaihi was selected beca
 4. (C) Assistant Lieutenant Ali Hassan Mohammed of the vice unit has 28 years of police service and was the longest serving Bahraini to attend
 5. (C) Lieutenant Mohammed offered examples of the last two complaints. After arresting 121 Chinese women, the vice unit approached the Chinese
 6. (C) In another recent case, police arrested a Thai woman and Indian man for leading a ring of 39 prostitutes. The woman was sending BD 20,000
 7. (C) The police officers who attended the training expressed disappointment that they were often unable to meet the evidentiary demands of t
 8. (C) Comment: ICE and NCIS agents expressed amazement at the apparent lack of the Bahraini trainees' investigative sophistication. NCIS, ICE
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